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Update on Graham County Homicides

GRAHAM COUNTY – The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) and the Graham County Sheriff's Office are investigating the murders of two individuals which occurred yesterday in Graham County, Kan.

At approximately 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4 a 911 call was made to the Graham County Sheriff's Office. When first responders arrived at 2756 170th Ave., Penokee, Kan., a Hispanic male and a white female were found deceased. The names of the deceased will be released after positive identifications are made and all next of kin are notified.

As a result of the initial investigation, a subject of interest was identified as 29-year-old Efren Mascarenas, Jr. After a search by area law enforcement, Mascarenas was located deceased Thursday night in northeast Graham County. There is no longer any threat to the public related to this incident.

The Hill City Police Department, the Kansas Highway Patrol, and several other area law enforcement agencies have assisted in this case.

No further information will be released at this time.

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